As an Amateur Radio Operator and someone who is employed in the Broadband Business (Cable Modems) I support both the ARRL the NTIA position on the BPL. I have worked for years to prevent CATV signal leakage and know directly what type of additional workload that can impose to keep within set standards. I don't see how the power companies can economically deploy such a service and keep it within PART 15 and still mantain a profit margin and be competative in their retail pricing of broadband access. I also know again from experience in being the one who spends capital dollars directly, that the rural areas will be the last to be constructed if ever as that is simple economics. The power companies will surely go for the densly populated areas first as that is where the biggest revenue potential is.

I don't understand what benefits that BPL can provide that is not currently being offered with existing broadband services. I feel the investors of BPL could stand to profit better in investing existing proven technologies.

The power comanies as a whole have never been that customer friendly in helping resolve normal power line noise interference complaints. All in all this is a bad idea that will fail in the end. Thanks for allowing me to comment.
Bill